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SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: KAPUUNO LIKELY TO PARTICIPATE IN TALKS

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1. CLEMENS KAPUUNO LEADER OF HERERO CHIEFS COUNCIL ANNOUNCED IN WINDHOEK JUNE 18 THAT HE AND COUNCIL HAVE DECIDED IN PRINCIPLE TO ATTEND PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL TALKS ON FUTURE OF NAMIBIA. KAPUUNO SAID HE IS NOW SATISFIED THAT TRUE LEADERS OF OTHER POPULATION GROUPS HAVE BEEN CHOSEN AS DELEGATES. ACCORDING TO JOHANNESBURG STAR CORRESPONDENT IN WINDHOEK. KAPUUNO SPECIFICALLY SAID HE CONSIDERS REPRESENTATIVES OF OWAMBO, KAVANGO, COLORED GROUP, NAMA, BASTERS AND WHITES TO BE " TRUE LEADERS".

2. ASSUMING KAPUUNO AND COUNCIL STICK TO LATEST POSITION, ONLY NAMIBIAN GROUP NOT OFFICIALLY DECIDED ON PARTICIPATION IN TALKS IS DAMAMAR. DAMARALAND ADVISORY COUNCIL ( DAC ) AND DAMARA TRIBAL

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EXECUTIVE ( DTE ) REPORTEDLY WILL MEET SHORTLY TO DISCUSS THEIR

POSITION. NEWLY FOUND DAMARA UNITY ( REFTTEL) REMAINS SHAKY, HOWEVER,

WITH NATIONAL AFRICAN PEOPLES DEMOCRATIC ORGANIZATION, POLITICAL  
ARM OF DTE, THUS MAINTAINING STAND AGAINST TALKS WHILE SOME

MEMBERS OF BOTH DTE AND DAC ARE INCLINED TO TAKE PART.

3. COMMENT: KAPPUOOS APPARENT AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN CON-  
STITUTIONAL DISCUSSIONS HAS REMOVED MAJOR OBSTACLE IN WAY OF TALKS.  
GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS INVOLVED IN PROMOTING CONFERENCE HAVE INDICATED

SEVERAL TIMES DURING PAST FEW WEEKS THAT SUCH TALKS COULD BEGIN  
WITHOUT ALL POPULATION GROUPS OFFICIALLY REPRESENTED. HERETO  
CONCURRENCE COULD OPEN WAY FOR EARLY CONVENING OF TALKS, WHATEVER  
DECISION DAMARA MAY MAKE.  
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